PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE

September 9, 2010 – 5:00-6:00 pm – Council Chambers – Town Hall

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

AGENDA ADOPTION:

- 1. Monthly Emergency Management Report
- 2. Automated Tide Gauge Update
- 3. Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company Report
- 4. Discussion of Re-imbursement Ordinance for DUI Expenses
- 5. Committee Member Comments

ADJOURN:

TOWN OF CHINCOTEAGUE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BI-MONTHLY REPORT

Submitted by Bryan Rush September 3, 2010

PLANNING

MONITORING THE TROPICS

The 2010 hurricane season is predicted to be a very busy one. Emergency Management conducts daily monitoring of the National Hurricane Center forecasts and discussions to maintain operational readiness.

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

September has been designated as National Preparedness Month. Emergency Management will be issuing PSA's to the media reminding citizens to be prepared for all hazards. A resolution proclaiming such was included on the Council's agenda for September 7, 2010.

FIREWORKS TRANSPORTATION

The transportation plan devised for the 2010 July Forth fireworks celebration was the most successful yet. Planning meetings were well attended, as well as the demonstration of stream-line communications and coordination. Maps and assignments have been reviewed along with a post event debriefing, to provide better guidance for next year's event.

EVACUATION DEPENDANT CITIZENS

VDEM is conducting a survey of evacuation dependant citizens to form contracts with bus companies to evacuate such individuals along with their pets. The Town's pick-up point will be the elementary school, since we have an MOU to utilize the facility in an emergency.

TRAINING

NIMS 2010 REQUIREMENTS

The 2010 National Incident Management System requirements for 2010 have been passed down through the Department of Emergency Management. Along with previous year requirements, jurisdictions will also have to show for those specific employees the training in IS 701 Multi Agency Coordination; IS 702 Public Information Systems; IS 703 Resource Management; IS 704 Communication and Information.

ICS 400

There will be an ICS 400 course offered in Accomack County sometime in the middle to end of October. Dates will be posted as soon as they become available.

LOGISTICS

AMBULANCE GRANT MONEY

Emergency Medical Services staff member Kevin Holloway successfully wrote a grant through the Commonwealth of Virginia, Dept. of Health, Office of EMS for a new ambulance for the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Co. The grant will provide \$74,671.50 towards a new purchase. The ambulance has been ordered and should be serving the citizens of Chincoteague by mid-January.

CARDIAC MONITOR/DEFIBRILLATOR GRANT

Emergency Medical Services staff is currently working on a grant to replace the current cardiac monitor/defibrillator on each ambulance. The new equipment will provide for better cardiac diagnostics as well as provide the most efficient way to send cardiac tracings to the hospital to speed the care for heart attack victims. The grant will help to partially cover the projected \$65,000 purchase.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

September is NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH. Citizens are reminded to prepare for all-hazards. Have a family emergency plan; non-perishable food and water for each person for 3-5 days; and know where you will go if asked to evacuate. More information can be obtained at www.ready.gov.